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Today's Topics:

 CW Privilages

 STILL waiting for your license? Read this and weep! (2 msgs)

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Rick Aldom (ayka60@email.sps.mot.com) wrote:

: In article <CBvEFo.H8q@fc.hp.com> Perry Scott, perry@fc.hp.com writes:
: >I think Incentive Licensing is the USA's gift to the rest of the world.
: >It keeps the bands from being wall-to-wall A's, N's, K's, and W's.

: Poop! If you want incentive licensing.....make it something useful.
: Such as theory.....Require the applicant to be able to demonstrate
: he/she can take small pieces of a puzzle and put it together. I haven't
: seen any theory in the books yet.

I feel this is intellectual elitism. Usenet is filled with college
grads that have learned to study and take test. The rest of the world
that barely made it through high school doesn't post here.

To counter, I'll tell you about one poor guy that passed 20 wpm but will never be able to do the theory. This old timer refuses to learn high-school algebra and quite frankly thinks it's a waste of time since he'll never use it on the bands. (sound familiar to anyone in the no-code camp?)

Before we tip the balance toward us techno-nerds, let's give a little consideration to the rest of the planet, especially the 10 year olds that want to get into the hobby.

: Some how it seems
: backwards to test for CW and give voice privileges....

No argument here. However, the counterproposals usually want to make the written tests harder - which would be easy for the person proposing it. The current system is a mixture of intellectual and operating skills. What operating skill should we test without burdening the VEs?

: I feel the requirement for CW
: beyond the 5wpm is just a time honored traditional form of hazing.

OK, so it's hazing. The Dept of Motor Vehicles hazes you with written and a practical test too.

: Please don't look down on those of us who
: would rather just talk to new friends around the world.

I don't.

I just haven't figured out a way to offer alternative operating tests to ensure people aren't a menace to themselves and others on the air. There are problems everywhere when you offer a variety of operating tests.

Perry Scott
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Subject: STILL waiting for your license? Read this and weep!
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Who do I contact to check if my license has been recieved and/or processed. Phone #s for the ARRL and FCC would be appreciated. I'm working on week 9.

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|| PGP v2.3 Public Key Available On Request. ||
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Re: STILL waiting for your license? Read this and weep!

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